Dear Families:

Welcome to a new and exciting school year. I am writing to tell you about a project we will be doing this year in Spanish class. This year we will be integrating 21st century skills into our class through Interactive Multimedia Projects, which will include blogging. In lieu of the old fashioned journal, we will be posting our entries online to a Blog. The topics will be related to the thematic units we are studying and/or grammar/verb tenses we are learning.

The purpose of the assignment is to communicate in Spanish about real-world topics and situations while incorporating Web 2.0 tools. These tools will allow the students to collaborate with each other and better their writing skills by utilizing the technology we have to create a more meaningful experience.

Before we begin, it is important to discuss on-line security and appropriate behavior. We will review the rules in class, but I also want to make you aware of them. We need to work together to help ensure the students in the class are keeping safety in mind when embarking on Internet projects.

Please **read**, **sign** and **return** the bottom portion of this letter. The students will not be permitted to start the Blogs if I have not received the signed permission slip.

Thank you for your support with our project!

Muchas gracias-

Adrienne Andrés

RULES

1. **Personal Information**. Use only your first name or Spanish class name. No surnames. Do not give out or post email address, home address, school name, city or anything that could help someone locate you.

2. **Honesty**. Students agree to keep log-in passwords and user names private. Students are NOT permitted to sign in for someone else.

3. **Respect**. Students are to remain respectful in their comments and posts.

I have read the above rules and agree to abide by them.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian

Signature of Student